

"This legislation is long overdue. Last year, the bipartisan 9/11 Commissioners gave Congress and the Administration 5 F's, 12 D's and 2 Incompletes when it came to implementing the Commission's recommendations. That was simply unacceptable. Though members of the Homeland Security Committee drafted legislation and debated proposals to meet the shortfalls highlighted by the Commissioners, it took the Democratic Majority to succeed in passing this critical legislation," said Farr.

Last week, Farr was awarded a spot on the Homeland Security Appropriations Subcommittee within the powerful House Appropriations Committee. This position is in addition to Farr's spots on the Military Construction-Veterans Affairs and Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittees.

"I intend to use my new position overseeing Homeland Security spending to ensure that the recommendations made by this bill aren't just ideas on paper, but actual funding for better communications between first responders or stopping the spread of Russian nuclear material. Homeland Security spending needs to be effective and sensitive to civil liberties issues," added Farr.